

November 2010 Newsletter

Dear Friend of Heartland Gallery,

The crisp fall weather means that the holidays are approaching, and I can think of nothing better to do than to browse the downtown shops for gift ideas. Did you know that more of your dollars stay in your community when you shop at your independent local retailers? I've always admired my good friend and former co-worker John Dunkelberger, who recently retired from his position as Head of Adult Reference at The Urbana Free Library, for the ongoing commitment he makes to our community by shopping and eating almost exclusively at locally owned businesses. As usual, we have many events planned for the season and new items arriving at our door, so please take advantage of this beautiful fall weather and visit us downtown.

**Sunday, Nov. 7 (3 – 6:30pm) - SCOTTISH HIGHLAND DANCE WORKSHOPS** with teacher Ariana Dymerski continue at the gallery this coming Sunday. Two workshops will be offered (ages 4-12 from 3 - 4:30pm and ages 13 through adult from 5 - 6:30pm). The cost is \$12 per person per workshop. Call the gallery (337-4767) for more info. Ariana is a UIUC Junior majoring in Elementary Education and is qualified as a Certified Associate Highland Dance Teacher recognized by the *British Association of Teachers of Dance* and a Premier Highland Dancer recognized by the *Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing*.

Thanks to those of you who dropped in to view the exhibition **MING FENG LI: Miao Minority Cross-Stitch**. This exhibit will be extended **through the 11<sup>th</sup> of November**, and Ming has dropped the prices on her work (now starting at \$300), so if you were interested at all in purchasing one of these lovely pieces, you may want to come in and take another look. I am also very excited about our two upcoming shows this month, which begin two weeks apart on the 13<sup>th</sup> and the 27<sup>th</sup>. Kalarte Gallery will also have an opening reception for a new exhibition in between these two. Our artist receptions feature refreshments including wine and cheese and the chance to meet with and talk to the artist.

**Saturday, November 13 (6-9pm) – artist reception for THE IRISH LANDSCAPE: Paintings by Sam McCready**. The show runs through the end of December. Sam is an actor, director, writer and painter originally from Belfast, N. Ireland. He is currently touring with "A Time to Speak", a solo dramatic presentation he adapted from a Holocaust memoir by the late Helen Lewis. The production will be performed by Sam's wife Joan, in the Studio Theatre of the Krannert Center for the Performing Arts on Tues., November 15 and Wed., November 16. Sam will also give a lecture at 4pm at The Spurlock Museum on Tues., November 15 entitled "Art Within Walls: Artists and Musicians of Terezin, 1941-45". Sam studied art at Stranmillis College in Belfast, a constituent college of Queen's University, and also with leading teachers at the Belfast College of Art. He recently had a sellout exhibition of his paintings in Baltimore and is now working on a solo exhibition in Ireland in 2011-2012. We are delighted to host an exhibition of Sam's paintings here in C-U in conjunction with his production at the Krannert Center and his lecture at The Spurlock Museum. Please join us in welcoming Sam and Joan to Urbana.

As an added benefit at this show, we will have a table set up for people to become acquainted with our local arts council, **40 NORTH/88 WEST**, and we encourage all artists from all genres (visual and performing) to come and socialize with each other and to learn more about what 40 North can offer you.

**Saturday, November 20 (6-8pm) – opening reception for MASKS III.** Bernard Cesarone, proprietor of Kalarte Gallery, will be displaying his collection of masks from Indonesia, India, Africa and other countries. This show will run through January 8. His current exhibition of Folk Art & Crafts from India ends on November 13.

**Saturday, November 27 (6-9pm) - artists' reception for NATURAL COLOR: Photography by Rick Goldwasser & Paintings by Marty Maehr** opens on Saturday, November 27 with an artist reception that evening from 6-9pm. The show runs through December 27. Rick and Marty were both raised in Urbana. They attended Urbana schools and played tennis together for Urbana High School. They are currently both professional tennis coaches in addition to being artists, Rick in Flagstaff, AZ and Marty in Ann Arbor, MI. This show has been in the planning stages for a long while, due to the difficult task of coordinating the very busy schedules of two out-of-state artists. Marty has shown his work in Heartland Gallery over the last couple of years with one solo show and one group show and I am looking forward to the chance to now exhibit his strikingly colorful paintings alongside the hauntingly beautiful Southwestern photography of his longtime friend, Rick. Please join us for this very unique exhibition.

**Friday (6-9pm), Saturday (11-6pm) & Sunday (11-4), December 3 - 5 - the annual ART HOOHA returns.** Heartland Gallery will again be a participating venue. For more info, please see [www.arthooha.com](http://www.arthooha.com). The website will be continually updated with full details as they become available. Don't miss this opportunity to see a variety of artists in a festive atmosphere exhibiting their work in local homes, studios and galleries just in time for holiday shopping.

For my Heartland Gallery friends who live in or near the Chicago area and for those who may be visiting the area, please don't forget that I now have a second location open. My shared space on the second floor of the **ANDERSONVILLE GALLERIA at 5247 N. Clark** is a mini version of the Urbana gallery, surrounded by 90+ other small businesses, including artists, craftspeople and fair trade retailers among others. Some upcoming events this month include a **FIRST FRIDAY on November 5** with late-night shopping until 10pm and a **3rd ANNIVERSARY PARTY on Friday, November 12 (7-10pm)** with wine and hors d'oeuvres. I will be personally attending the Anniversary Party, so please stop in and say hi if you are in the neighborhood. There are plenty of other nearby galleries, shops, restaurants, bars and cafes to make your visit to this area a pleasant day-long or weekend experience. Be sure to check out the Swedish American Museum one block south of the Galleria. To view the businesses represented at the Galleria, go to [www.andersonvillegalleria.com](http://www.andersonvillegalleria.com)

## **HOLIDAY HOURS**

Our holiday hours for Thanksgiving weekend through the month of December are as follows:

**Thursday, November 25<sup>th</sup> (Thanksgiving Day) – CLOSED**

**(Nov. 26 – Dec. 23)**

<b>SUNDAYS</b>	<b>12-4pm</b>
<b>MONDAYS</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>
<b>TUESDAYS</b>	<b>10-6</b>
<b>WEDNESDAYS</b>	<b>10-6</b>
<b>THURSDAYS</b>	<b>10-6</b>
<b>FRIDAYS</b>	<b>10-8</b>
<b>SATURDAYS</b>	<b>10-5</b>

**December 24**      **9-3**

**December 25-27**      **CLOSED**

**December 28-30**      **10-5**

**December 31**      **CLOSED (will remain closed through January 11, with regular hours to resume on Wed. January 12)**

As always, we sincerely appreciate your patronage of the arts and of Heartland Gallery, and we wish you the very best holiday season.

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